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SUBJECT: FRG COMPRESSOR (BORSIG) FOR INDIAN HEAVY
WATER PLANT

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1. DURING DISCUSSION OF SUPPLY OF GERMAN COMPRESSOR
FOR INDIAN HEAVY WATER PLANTS ROUGET, FOREIGN OFFICE,
ADVISED SCICOUNSELOR OF FOLLOWING POINTS: FRG HAD
ADVISED INDIA THAT CONDITION FOR SUPPLY OF COMPRESSOR
WOULD BE THAT ALL HEAVY WATER PRODUCED IN PLANT THUS
SUPPLIED WOULD BE UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS AND, THEREFORE,
ALL PLANTS USING THIS HEAVY WATER WOULD BE PLACED
UNDER IAEA SAFEGUARDS. INDIANS HAD REJECTED THIS
CONDITION. FRG SUGGESTED AS ALTERNATIVE, THAT INDIANS
AGREE THAT NO MATERIAL PRODUCED IN A REACTOR USING
HEAVY WATER FROM PLANT SUPPLIED WITH GERMAN COMPRESSOR
BE USED IN ANY NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICE. INDIA AGAIN
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REFUSED TO MAKE THIS COMMITMENT.

2. ACCORDING TO ROUGET, FRG UNDER GREAT PRESSURE
FROM GERMAN INDUSTRY TO PERMIT EXPORT OF COMPRESSOR.
BEFORE PROCEEDING IN ITS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE INDIANS,
THE FRG IS ANXIOUS TO KNOW DETAILS OF U.S. SUPPLY
ARRANGEMENTS AGREED TO DURING PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO

INDIA. FOR EXAMPLE, HAS ANY PROGRESS BEEN MADE RE FULL SCOPE SAFEGUARDS AS CONDITION OF U.S. SUPPLY OF ENRICHED URANIUM FUEL. SIMILARLY, WHAT CONCESSIONS HAVE WE OBTAINED FROM THE INDIANS IN RETURN FOR PROPOSED SUPPLY OF HEAVY WATER? DO WE HAVE ANY WRITTEN EXPLICIT COMMITMENTS FROM INDIANS REGARDING NON-USE OF PRODUCED MATERIAL IN NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES. FRG WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING COPY OF ANY SPECIFIC LANGUAGE INDIA AND WE HAVE AGREED TO.

3. GERMAN COMPRESSOR SUPPLIER IS BORSIG, FRG, NOT BORSIG, BERLIN. ROUGET SAID THAT THE COMPRESSOR WOULD BE ONE MANUFACTURED IN WEST GERMANY RATHER THAN IN BERLIN TO AVOID VETO BY OCCUPYING POWERS (UNDER LAW 43).

4. ROUGET ADVISES THAT FRG EMBASSY WASHINGTON HAS BEEN ASKED TO OBTAIN DETAILS OF THE AGREEMENTS REACHED IN INDIA ON OCCASION OF PRESIDENT'S VISIT. FRG IS DELAYING ANY FURTHER NEGOTIATION WITH INDIA OF COMPRESSOR SUPPLY CONDITIONS UNTIL THEY RECEIVE MORE DETAILS BOTH FROM U.S. AND INDIA ON PRESIDENT'S VISIT. STOESEL

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